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'Mohawk status' centre of Kahnawake dispute Radio-Canada started rumor of 143 eviction notices

BY JASON PRINCE

The Mohawk Band Council is under scrutiny for actions it took last September. According to Bloc Québécois MP Gilles Duceppe, who raised a question in the House of Commons last Tuesday, the Council issued 143 eviction notices to non-Mohawks living on the reserve.

But Band Councillor Michael Sky denied the report. "I know for a fact that only 12 or 13 letters were sent out. The letters were a reminder that they [non-Mohawks] were living in Kahnawake in contravention of the Indian Act. No actions are contemplated and nothing has been done [since the letters were sent out]."

"Nine people came in to the office to explain the situation. These were the boyfriends or friends of the people who were sent a notice. It was explained that they were just visiting. Most of them have since left the reserve," said Band Councillor Lindsay Leborgne.

Duceppe clarified his allegation in a conversation with the *McGill Daily*: "The Band Council published 143 names in the newspaper.

These [non-Mohawk] people will have to leave." Duceppe could not remember the name of the newspaper which published the list.

"The *Eastern Door* only published 11 names. It was a paid announcement of the Band Council," explained Kenneth Deer, editor of the only paper published in Kahnawake.

"Everyone keeps referring to the *Eastern Door*. But we never published such a list. (The list of 143 names) doesn't exist."

The allegation that 143 notices were served first surfaced in a Radio-Canada television report, aired last Monday.

Leborgne speculated that the figure may have been based on a misunderstanding. A reporter for Radio-Canada visited the offices of the Band Council last week, asking questions about Mohawk status. He was told of a 1981 moratorium which determined that Mohawk men and women who married non-Mohawks would lose their right to live in Mohawk territory. The moratorium was intended as a temporary measure until the Mohawk community could determine the more

difficult question of "what makes a Mohawk."

This moratorium affects about 10 people a year. "That makes 130 people affected since 1981, plus the thirteen people who were sent notices, makes 143," Leborgne said.

Radio-Canada has not responded to repeated calls over the three days prior to going to print.

Evictions racist, critics say

"The argument given (for the evictions) was there was a lack of space and, for that matter, genetic purity," Duceppe told *The Gazette* last week.

Sky said the lack of space is not the critical issue. "It's no secret that there is a lack of space here (in Kahnawake). We're going to run out of land within a few years, at current growth rates. But the people living here (who were sent letters) are sharing."

At the heart of the action taken by the Band Council is the thorny question of who decides who is a Mohawk and who isn't. Status determines the net of benefits to which a Native is entitled, including rights to housing on reserves.

The Council, a creature of the Canadian government, largely accepts the definition supplied by the Indian Act. But there are competing definitions.

"There is some debate in Kahnawake about what makes a Mohawk," Sky said. "I think if a person has one drop of Mohawk blood, and they have been raised as a Mohawk, they have every right to stay here. It's a cultural thing," he said.

Some groups in Kahnawake believe Mohawk status should be linked to blood quantum.

"If you link it to blood, you're a racist. If you link it to culture, you're fooling yourself," said Deer. "No matter what opinion you have, you are wrong, according to someone. It's a really difficult problem."

Many members of the community believe that they should have the power to determine who is and who is not Mohawk, said Deer.

Traditionally, Mohawk heritage was carried by the mother, who could never lose her status. Women literally invited men into their longhouse (a physical structure), and thereby brought them into their family and into the Nation.

People from other aboriginal nations or Europeans can be adopted into the Mohawk Nation according to a specific clause in the Great Law of Peace, codified in the 1700s.

"In the end, a non-Native who had something to offer to the Nation and who exercised their talents — be they a carpenter, a hunter, or whatever — would be accepted. Their children would become full Mohawks," explained a Kahnawake source, who asked not to be identified.

The Indian Act, passed in the late 19th century, reversed that tradition, giving males the lineage. Until the late '80s, when Bill C-31 modified the Indian Act, Native women who married non-Natives lost their status. These changes created a new set of problems.

"It was a very costly decision. A lot of C-31s are coming back to the reserves. There is not enough space on some reserves to accommodate them," explained the source. "We are in a fishbowl situation."

When asked if he supported the idea of giving Kahnawake more land if they were having a space problem, Duceppe said "That has to be negotiated. We have to see the demands."

Federal minister wants youth off the dole

BY GRAHAM COOK

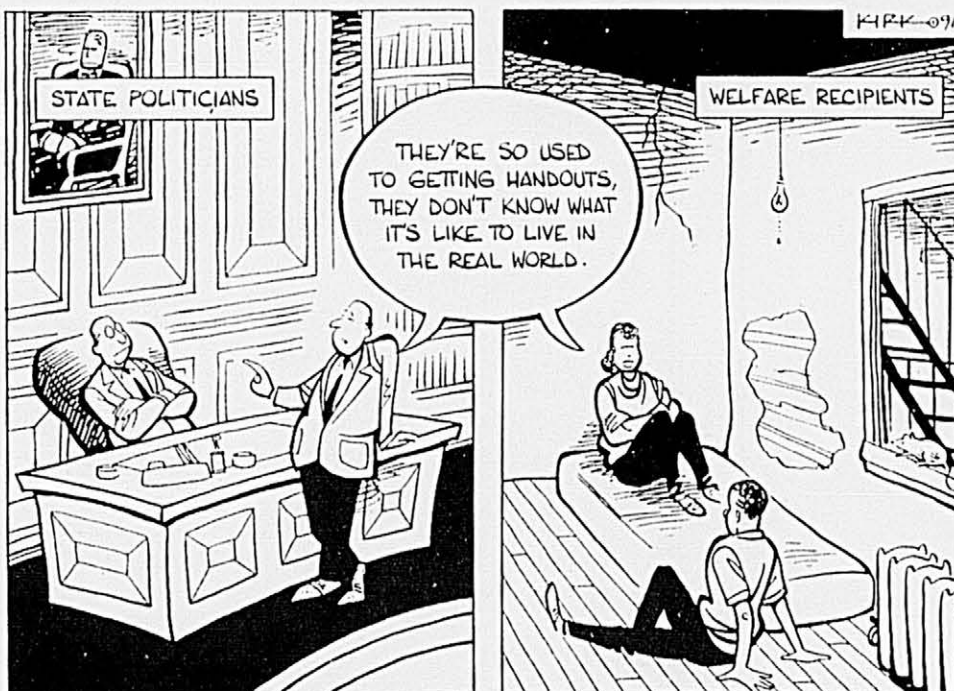
VANCOUVER (CUP) The federal government has proposed sweeping steps to reduce the number of young people on social assistance — by asking them to relinquish their claim to welfare and unemployment insurance.

"I think it's tragic that the first, in a sense, paycheque that so many young people get is a paycheque from the government," Minister of human resources and development Lloyd Axworthy said in a CBC radio interview.

Axworthy proposes that young people between the ages of about 18 and 24 be given a "guarantee" to receive job training, apprenticeship, or education, and in return they would give up their right to social assistance benefits. The "guarantee," however, does not assure a wage.

Debra Brown, an assistant to Axworthy, said the proposal is only one of several being considered over the summer in the current overhaul of social services, which will also include changes to student loans and a "community youth corps."

The overall outlook for those 15 to 24 is



bleak. According to a recent Statistics Canada study on labor and income, the employment rate for young people peaked at 62.3 per cent in 1989, but now hovers at about 50 per cent. An increasing number of young people are

turning to post-secondary education to increase their job prospects, with full-time enrollment up 7 per cent since 1989. And while the burgeoning service sector is usually reliable, 14 per cent of the drop in youth employ-

ment has been in that sector.

According to the StatsCan study, many young people have decided to drop out of the labor force completely, including about 100,000 young single mothers. As for Axworthy's promised "guarantee" of training or education, the proposal has few details about how accessibility to education will be increased.

"[We are] looking at a major amendment to the whole student aid, student loan program so that we would broaden out the range of financial assistance for people that want to go back to school," said Axworthy.

For those who cannot get into school, or are trained but cannot get jobs, Axworthy pointed to Jean Chrétien's proposed community youth corps. This program would employ "about 15,000 young people to work [...] in inner cities, doing environmental, eco-tourism, a whole series of things," said Axworthy, however Chrétien had initially proposed 10,000 positions. There are still no details on how youth would be paid for membership in the corps, or whether membership would be voluntary or mandatory.

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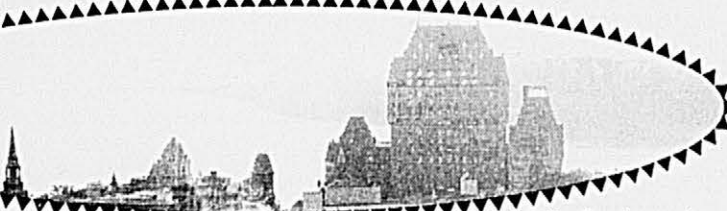
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The Anti-Code of Conduct

Engineers create code of computer conduct

BY MAX FRANCISCO

A small group of experienced computer users have taken it upon themselves to draft a computer user code of conduct after their disappointment with the Senate's code.

The department of electrical engineering formed an ad-hoc committee to try to make sense of the various incarnations of the Senate's code of conduct. The committee, consisting of Dr. Frank Ferrie, Dr. David Jones and Tom Levasseur, decided to draft their own code as a basis for comparison with the Senate's code of conduct.

"We formulated a code based on our own principles," said Ferrie. "The whole thing about *jurisprudence* is fine for the business environment, but we are a community of scholars. There is a certain respect for individual rights."

Canadian law, which is the cornerstone of the Senate's code, has not really addressed the issue of computer rights and privacies. There has been no legislation which adequately defines the user's fundamental rights, and no cases have been brought before the courts concerning computer related issues of privacy.

The model for the ad-hoc committee's code, on the other hand, is based on how the electrical engineering computer lab is run. Like your local Proviso, the lab is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The systems operators (sys-ops) may not always be there, but they can be reached via Internet communication. The computer users are basically given free reign, but they are responsible for all their actions on the system.

"There is a certain amount of respect for individual rights, but they have to take on certain responsibilities," said Ferrie. "You can't have someone trying to calculate π to the thirtieth degree! It would tie up the system's resources."

Tom Levasseur, the electrical engineering computer lab sys-op, stated that the lab currently supports 858 users with one room full of networked Sun computers running on a UNIX operating system and another room full of networked IBM PC's running DOS. So far there has been no problems within the lab, and the only thing that has

been stolen is a mouse. So far, forces outside McGill are the main concern of the sys-ops.

Ferrie believes that the electrical engineering lab is a good model on which to

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— Dr. Frank Ferrie

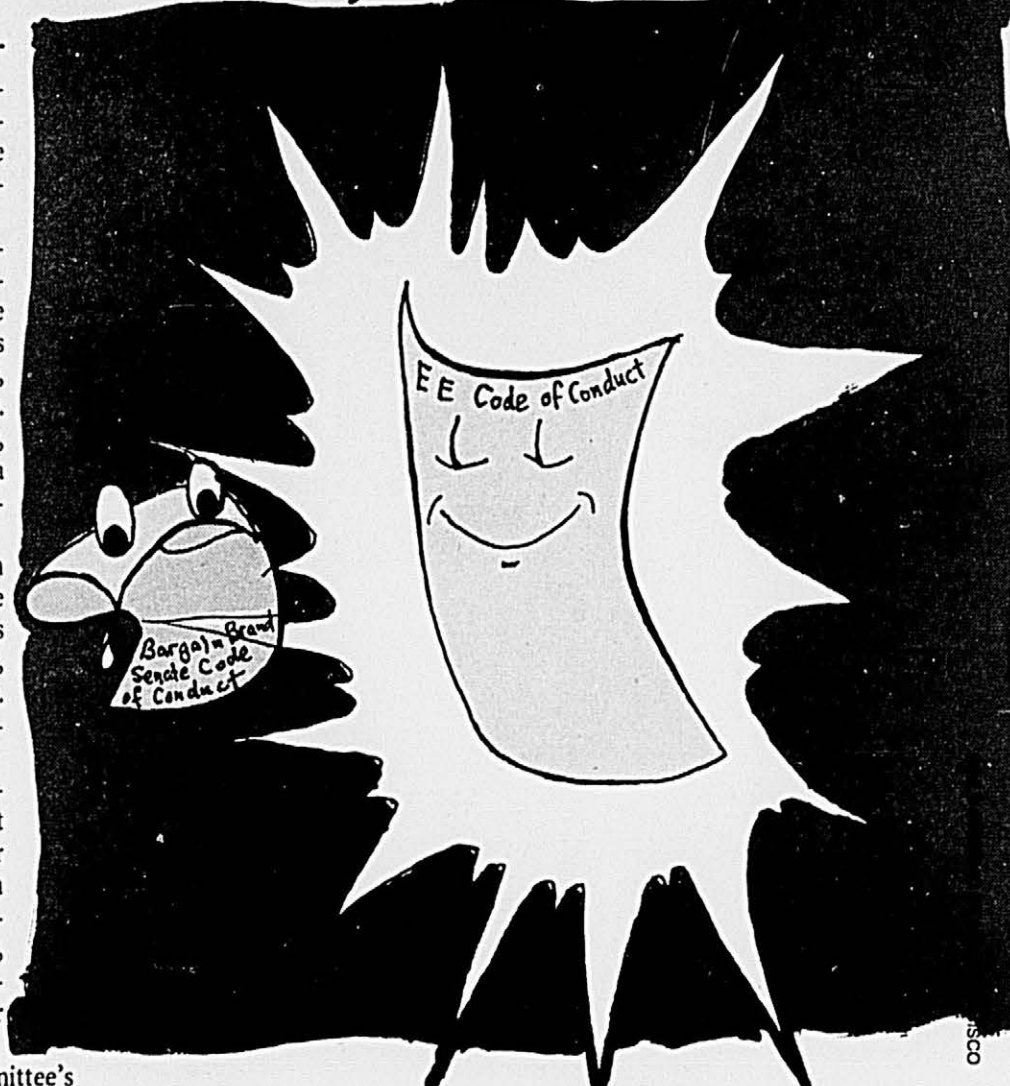
base the code of conduct. He feels that there should be more input from the electrical engineers and computer science students in the drafting of Senate's code.

When asked what he thought of the

Senate's 'Visions of McGill Computing in the Year 2000', Ferrie said, "I think they missed the mark. Nobody was really consulted in our department. Think about all the research that is done in telecommunications here."

The 'Visions' document was circulated by Vice Principal of Planning and Resources François Tavenas in Senate. It is a statement on the direction that McGill will take for the improvement of its technological tools.

A copy of the 'Visions' statement can be found on INFO McGill, while the current draft of the ad-hoc committee's document is available via 'gopher ee.mcgill.ca' under the Electronic Frontiers Canada directory. The ad-hoc committee's code has been circulated among the electrical engineering staff for input, and should be formally presented at a future departmental meeting. When it is passed the document will be presented to the Senate Committee on Computing for consideration.



Keep dreaming, DeKlerk

On a recent stop to the largest black township in South Africa, President and leader of the ruling white-dominated National Party, F.W. DeKlerk, referred to the upcoming elections in April. "We know there are tens of thousands of votes for the National Party here in Soweto," he said.

In addition, DeKlerk promised to "take Soweto by storm" in April's elections. During his visit, helicopters flew overhead, dozens of paramilitary police with guns and riot gear blocked roads, while armed guards patrolled Soweto in armoured vehicles.

Residents of Soweto are known for their persistent defiance of apartheid.

—Los Angeles Times, March 18, 1994



Arms build-up in Turkey and Greece sparks concern

As a result of the Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) treaty signed two years ago, there has been a significant proliferation of arms to Turkey and Greece.

Since the signing of the agreement, which saw a decrease in Western forces in central Europe, tank transfers alone have put Greece and Turkey at the top of a United Nations study done last October.

Relations between the two countries have been strained for decades, particularly with respect to the island of Cyprus. Persistent fighting between ethnic Greeks and Turks on the island has increased the chances of civil strife.

Recently, a member of the British-American Security Information Council stated, "The greatest cause for concern in the UN registration is the Greece-Turkey arms race." The United States, Netherlands, France, and Britain have been the largest suppliers of weapons to both countries.

—Middle East International, March 4, 1994

Angolans still suffering despite peace talks

As peace talks between the governing MPLA and the rebel group UNITA continue in Lusaka, Zambia, hundreds of Angolans are being starved to death.

According to an Angolan government source, 50 people were reported to have died of starvation in the commune of Cunje near Kuito. Since the beginning of February over 200 have died, mostly children and the elderly, in Cunje.

The area surrounding Cunje is mostly controlled by the rebel group UNITA, who many believe are still supported by the U.S and South Africa, making it difficult for food and other supplies to get in.

Since the fighting resumed in October of 1992 between the MPLA and UNITA, the United Nations reports that over 1,000 people have been dying per day in Angola, while forty per cent of the population are amputees.

—West Africa, March 7-13, 1994

Protection demanded for poor countries against toxic waste

The Basel Convention on the control of transboundary trade in waste will be put to the international acid test starting today. The contracting states, meeting in Geneva, will discuss a general export ban on hazardous wastes to the Third World and Eastern Europe. Over 120 countries support this proposal, with resistance coming primarily from Germany and Britain.

By a majority, the governing parties in the Bundestag last week passed a law on transposing the Basel Convention into German law.

But, while all waste exports "for disposal" to countries outside the European Union and EFTA are to be banned, waste exports for the purposes of "recycling" and "further utilisation" are to continue to be moved across frontiers.

Over ninety per cent of the toxic waste exports documented at Greenpeace have been sold or made under the pretext of "recycling". Since 1990 Greenpeace has found over 20,000 tonnes of German waste amassed and neglected in non-OECD countries from Indonesia to Egypt to the Ukraine.

—Environet, the Greenpeace BBS

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Jujubes in Leacock

Paul Johnson, v.p. finance, finally tabled a long-awaited agreement between Students' Society and Arts Undergraduate Society (AUS) which calls for the installation of Sadies Tabagie in the Leacock building. The store is slated to be built in the area near the Arts computer centre.

Council passed the motion. They agreed that construction costs of up to \$30 000 will be shared equally by AUS and the Students Society. Any additional costs will be born by the Students Society.

Double-dipping student reps

The contract negotiations for a new Sadies brought forward the issue of potential conflict of interest. During the meeting council moved to committee of the whole in order to discuss the topic.

According to Council guidelines, "a conflict of interest arises where the personal interests of a student or employee holding office or employment in the association compete with the interests of the association."

Arts rep Corey Cook said that he removed himself from the

Sadies negotiations because of a potential ethical problem with his position as an AUS official and a representative to council. "I was in a conflict," he said.

Board of Directors and Senate Representative Rich Latour cited another place where conflict of interest could have arisen. At the time the Food and Beverage Committee was formed, he was "hoping that no one from Engineering would ask to be on the...Committee" because the contract for the engineering cafeteria is held by Versabec, whereas Student Society deals with Marriot Corporation.

President Mark Luz said that Society should implement a "per semester tradition of reminding councillors of their responsibilities."

Paul Johnson, v.p. finance, said that a simple reminder would not do because of the financial importance of contracts that the representatives negotiate.

Council directed next year's Students' Society to form a group to study the matter.

Finally, council appointed Michael Broadhurst as editor of the McGill Tribune for next year.

—Lorne Herlin

COMMENT

Tie a red ribbon 'round my ass: call it sexism

Seen the recent Christian Dior ad splashed all over Montréal? Everyone has by now. There's a smooth, taut, childlike torso being held with a tight, pink chiffon ribbon, covering only her lower front. This ad is seen on TV, in magazines, and everywhere including that ad beacon right in front of McGill. All of this to sell a bottle of perfume. Actually, it seemed to me that the ad came out at about the same time we were celebrating Women's Week.

Women's Week has passed. In more ways than one, unfortunately. Why is it that in our media-controlled society I could not see a poster for an upcoming women's forum or a TV report lauding women's breakthroughs without first being mentally assaulted by three of those Dior ads, found on the very same bus shelter and TV station?

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The consumers who are being persuaded into buying this perfume are those same people that Women's Week is trying to reach—women who feel the need to be someone they're not, and men who want their girlfriends or wives to fulfill the role of the sexy, vulnerable, yielding child portrayed in the ad.

Two weeks ago the media attempted to present women's issues on a larger, more mainstream scale than the one to which they are usually relegated. Concerts, art exhibitions, and the like were served up *en masse* as an awakening to the members of society who need a week to remind them that women's issues are important, 365 days a year.

While providing larger forums for issues that need to be discussed, and enabling us to be more creative in the process, Women's Week does not seem to change the minds of those out for a fast buck. Regardless of the time, energy, and positive attitude given to Women's Week, the media still reverts back to an objectified woman as a sure-fire sell.

This double standard only serves to repress the same issues it claims to be so passionate about. The publications and companies which print articles on the empowerment of women and the need for equity are the same which are perpetuating the beauty myth—one which has oppressed women through the ages.

Hour, Mirror, Voir—these papers cover women's issues on a regular basis, but what purpose does it serve when scattered in its pages are jean ads depicting bondage or rape-like images, and "976" ads (describing how women, like the ones seen here, will titillate you until the cows cum home)?

The media continues to toe the line that whatever's hip at the present moment will suffice, as long as it brings in the ratings or the dough. A bandwagon that's been hopped on too easily—and without thought, I might add. By compromising the very issues that serve to educate and challenge our perceptions of society, we are allowing the slander, the abuse, and the misogyny to continue.

Joya Balfour

LETTERS

Birdcage liner?
To the Daily:

It would seem that when you clamour for student activism, you mean only your brand of activism. Thus you whine about being persecuted when some students want to make the *Daily* pull its own weight. For you to claim that the petitioners who proposed this idea have a political agenda brings to mind the proverbial pot and kettle.

As long as the *Daily* continues to derive funding from students, it is subject to the demands of students. Though it revels in its grassroots revolutionary stance, the reality is that students wishing to change the paper from within end up covering the topics that the editors approve or demand. If they want to dissent, the best they can hope for is

a Hyde Park. Such is the nature of a newspaper's power structure.

Likewise, if consumers are dissatisfied with a paper or any other product, it is natural and proper for them to protest and try to change it. McGill students are not only consumers but ultimately owners of the *Daily*.

As owners, we have the right to dispose of our property as we please. If that means that students want their \$6.70 back, so be it. I would not hesitate to cut funding to the *Tribune* or the *Red Herring* if they began to show the same flagrant disregard for facts, grammar, and spelling rules that I have come to expect from the *Daily*. How am I to believe that my \$6.70 is well spent when the *Daily* cannot even manage to acquire a spell checker for its computers?

Christian Dior

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Elizabeth Elmwood
U2 Humanistic Studies

N.A.S.S.A. Responds

To the Daily:

Re: "Hidden agenda of North American studies..."

I would like to congratulate Mr. Sheridan for developing innovative ways of evaluating McGill departments. By responding to criticism lodged against one seminar, the entire North American Studies program has been condemned as right-wing, pro-American and a purveyor of hidden agendas.

Such Facile labels would be comical if they did not create bad feelings amongst staff and students of the program. N.A.S. offers courses on the United States, Canada and Mexico in four departments with over forty professors. Any claim that the inter-disciplinary program is held captive to reactionary interests is preposterous. Furthermore, does taking a course about the U.S. make me pro-American? Does taking Professor Vogel's course on WWII make me pro-war?

More troubling is Sheridan's depiction of Professors Rigs and Velk. If Sheridan took the effort to read the syllabus of the seminar they teach—Nineteenth Century Reform Literature (the title of which he failed to cite)—his finding's would belie the claims of his article. Jefferson, Toqueville, Whitman, Bellamy, Riis—crotchety con-

servatives? closet monarchists? Come on! If there are concerns to be expressed about the course, airing them through the student press is not the way to start.

The views of Professors Rigg and Velk may be mildly troubling to some, just as the views of Professor Noumoff or Finechel may be disconcerting to others. This does not make them bad teachers, however. Lively intellectual debate should be the hallmark of a university. It is unfortunate that Mr. Sheridan set out his own agenda before he researched his piece. If he would like to improve his writing skills, I suggest an upper level English course taught by a couple of disputatious professors.

Jeff Heynen
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On February 27th, 1994 between 3:30pm and 4:00pm, the following two incidents occurred in front of the Rutherford Physics Building:

While entering the building, a lady was stopped by a man in a grey car. After asking her if she spoke English, he then proceeded to tell her that he worked for the government and wanted to check her teeth. He had a scratch pad with him, but no other instruments. He asked her to come into the car. After refusing his request for her to enter his car, he stepped out of the car, lunged at her face, prying open her mouth and examined her teeth. During the course of the interaction, he insisted that she give him her number.

Another woman was approached by the same man who asked her if she spoke English, then told her he was a dentist and wanted to see her teeth. He said that he was looking for patients and asked her the date of her last dental appointment. He reached out of the car for her, demanding to see her teeth. As well, he showed her ripped out pages with pictures of teeth.

WSN and SACOM have received calls over the last week describing incidents similar to those outlined above. They are as follows and occurred last fall as well as in January 1994:

In the basement of Burnside Hall, a woman was approached by a man who claimed he was a dentistry student doing a survey. He asked her such questions as the date of her last dental appointment, a description of her dental history and whether or not she feared dentists. When she said no

to this last question, he became "agitated" and then asked her to sit down so he could examine her teeth.

Near the Roddick gates at Sherbrooke and McGill College Streets, a woman was approached by a man who asked her for her name, nationality, and whether she was Greek. He claimed to be studying dentistry, was holding a manual, and asked to look at her teeth. He put his arm around the caller, at which point she walked quickly toward Sherbrooke. He did not follow.

The assailant is described as being a caucasian (with dark skin) male, in his late 20s or approx. 30 to 35 years of age, had a receding hairline, almost bald, had a moustache, unshaven, medium height approx. 5'8", and thin. He is said to have a thick accent which callers were unable to identify. The vehicle is de-

scribed as being a big American car, blue or grey, Cadillac style.

On February 20th, 1994 at 1:00am, between MontRoyal and Rachel on Esplanade, a woman was followed by a man in a car who repeatedly asked many questions, including whether he could have her phone number. The woman felt that he was trying to get her into his car as he would start his questions louder and then the volume of his voice would decrease. The man is described as being caucasian, with dark hair, approximately in his 30's. At the time of the incident, the man was driving a boxy, small, dull-coloured car.

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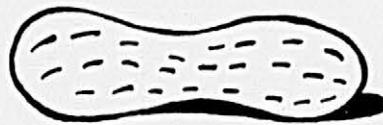
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The quiet revolution explodes in Montréal

Ronny Jordan plays at the Spectrum

BY SORETA IBDONE, SWINGI
NITESMOKE AND DRUMSTI KATCHER

We never thought we could possibly enjoy anything from that wretched epic, *The Sound of Music*, until last Friday. Ronny Jordan and his ensemble of super talented musicians brought the house down at the Spectrum Theatre.

The concert started with a funky rendition of "My Favourite Things". Anyone who can pull off a Julie Andrews song, and still have everyone wanting more at the end, lives up to the well earned title of "Britain's number one acid jazz musician."

Jordan, who is a pioneer of acid jazz, started playing in the early eighties. He broke ground with his 1986 remake of the Miles Davis classic "So What". Ever since then, his musical journey has been solely uphill. Gaining numerous accolades worldwide for his music, Jordan has finally brought his roadshow to take Canada by storm.

Sponsored by District Six and the organizers of the Montréal International Jazz Festival, Jordan's late night show had everyone moving some part of their body, if not all of it.

The crowd fed off of the musicians' energy and, by the end, even those who weren't familiar with his music had become avid fans. Unable to ignore the uninhibited boisterous calls from the audience, especially three arm-swinging, shamelessly enthusiastic individuals at the front, Jordan and his crew returned for two encores.

He deftly played numerous tunes from his most recent album, *The Quiet Revolution*, as well as other favorites from previous albums. All seven musicians and one rapper got the opportunity to reveal their talents to the crowd.

The first two songs they played were pretty straightforward (whatever that means). However, when they felt the audience's vibes, they let it rip. The flautist crooned the airwaves. The keyboardists were right on time. The bassist was badder than bad. The percussionist had



soul. The drummer kicked ass. The rapper was radical, that is, Radical MC.

But, in the end you had to admit that the mastery of Ronny Jordan stole the show.

One lucky member of the audience was given Jordan's very own guitar pick at the end. Four super lucky individuals jumped far above

the rest of the crowd to catch the drummer's very own used and autographed drumsticks. One woman jumped nearly three feet high, to the chagrin of those behind her, to catch one. Wow! More power to her!

The final song of the evening was aptly entitled "After Hours" as the final curtain fell around 1:15am.

Despite their fatigue and tight schedule, the band took the time to come out on the floor to meet the crowd and sign autographs.

After the concert, in an informal, exclusive interview with some of the band members including Jordan, we were told that they are looking forward to returning to Montréal because of the great re-

sponse they got from the crowd. They found it unfortunate that they were not able to spend more time in the city.

They have had positive responses from around the world. So far they have toured Europe, Japan, the United States, and now Canada. The band also hopes to do some concerts in South Africa after the April elections.

They will be ending this four week stint with two shows in Toronto. Then they will fly home to London. Something they are all looking forward to after a long, hard but successful international tour.

While preparing a sandwich to satisfy his munchies, Ronny told us the difficulties of being on the move and not having a regular schedule. After a tiring day of interviews, rehearsals and a concert, Ronny spent the wee hours of the morning chilling before he and his crew packed onto their bus at 4:00am and headed for Toronto.

Their next gig in Montréal will be at this summer's Montréal International Jazz Festival. If you're, this is a sure ticket for your summer's entertainment. An event not to be missed. So make your way to the front of the stage, feel the music, express yourself and get down to the sounds of Ronny Jordan with Soreta, Swingi and Drumsti. See ya there!

PGSS calls for more participation

BY ANNA MARTINEZ

The Post Graduate Student Society (PGSS) confronted the need to improve communication within McGill as a whole at its annual general meeting last Wednesday where quorum was only reached 50 minutes after the meeting was supposed to start.

Vp finance executive, Bob Collins is disappointed with many of the members. "I think it's a disgrace the way PGSS members do not attend any of the meetings," said Collins.

Candidate for vp external, Marie-Claude Poliquin, says she "is very happy with the way the meeting went...with the obvious interest that the students who did attend the meeting have for the future of PGSS."

The speech given by the present PGSS president Patrick Crowley however concentrated mostly on ways to get more participation in PGSS from graduate students and more attention from McGill administration.

"I think that we do not stress the

importance of our being represented on committees sufficiently...this is a major flaw in our organization and could eventually threaten our long-term credibility," said Crowley.

Also on the agenda was the selection of the new PGSS logo, presentation of the candidates and presentation of the referendum questions. The present executives also gave a report on their activities of the past year and their hopes for the future of PGSS within its various realms.

Among other issues, the ques-

tion of PGSS's position within the RACSQ (Regroupement des associations des cycles supérieurs du Québec) and FEUQ (Fédération étudiante universitaire du Québec) was brought up by graduate students and both the present vp external, Eric Laferrière and the candidate for vp external, Poliquin.

An appeal for more participation from the francophone community of McGill graduates was also made "we have to evolve but at the same time we need to take our members along with us," said Crowley.

CITY BRIEFS

Anti-poverty groups discusses shorter work-week

In an effort to deal with worsening poverty in Québec, 1200 activists, unions and anti-poverty groups gathered a week ago to put forward solutions to the province's crisis.

Debate arose over shortening the work-week from the legal 44 hours down to 32 in order to provide more jobs. But while anti-poverty groups see this as a way of creating new jobs, union activists are skeptical of its effects on the unemployment rate.

Creating a 32 hour work week would lower salaries of some by as much as a fifth — which means someone earning \$20 000 would

then make \$16 000 — well below the family poverty line.

While sharing the wealth might be a solution, no one wants to share the problems associated with Québec's worsening poverty.

A ballot for South Africa

Two local groups, the Group for Research and Initiative for the Liberation of Africa, and the McGill Southern Africa Committee, have launched a funding drive to help finance the African National Congress' (ANC) Voter Education Campaign in South Africa. Sponsored by the ANC, a number of donation boxes, which have the appearance of a ballot box, have been placed around McGill University and throughout the city.

The ANC, by far the most popular party in South Africa, is predicted to win the upcoming elections in a landslide. However, ignorance concerning the voting process could mean that between four to eight million potential ANC voters will not cast their ballot, or cast their ballot incorrectly.

Seventy-five per cent of the proceeds will go directly towards the ANC campaign, with the remaining twenty-five per cent going to the Canadian mission of the ANC.

Café Campus finalises new home

All the creases have finally been ironed out of Café Campus' space arrangements. The employee owned and operated club signed a

15-year contract for two-floors on Prince-Arthur and Ste-Dominique.

Complaints from Côte-des-Neiges residents forced Café Campus to leave its former premises which were located on the first floor of an apartment building complex. Finally, legal injunctions closed its doors and last May, following court battles, it closed its doors permanently.

Katacombes arrests: 73 finally charged

The 73 men facing charges from the police raid at Katacombes on February 17th have formed a common defense strategy. They plan to meet April 18 to discuss how to prepare their defense and also whether those men whose charges

were dropped will file false arrest lawsuits.

The police recently announced that charges had been dropped against 92 of those initially arrested. Charges range from "found-in" a common bawdy-house to performing 'indecent acts'.

Doré doesn't have a green thumb

Supporters of mayoralty candidate-hopeful Pierre Bourque think the gold medal won by the Botanical Gardens under his auspices puts him head and flowers above Mayor Jean Doré.

Well Jean, better throw in your towel (or open a flowershop).

— Damion Stodola

Funky wheelchairs

Innovator reinvents the Wheelchair

BY HARRY RUDOLFS

TORONTO (CUP) Czeslaw Cimachowski is a pioneer in the field of wheelchair recreation. "People know about sports equipment and rehabilitation equipment," he says. "But they're unaccustomed to thinking in terms of recreation equipment for wheelchair users."

The first product he designed, a specially-constructed riding saddle, was created as a result of a young woman's desire to go horseback riding. Hazel Self had lost the ability to walk after a diving accident. By working with Cimachowski, the two came up with a saddle which would enable Self to ride again.

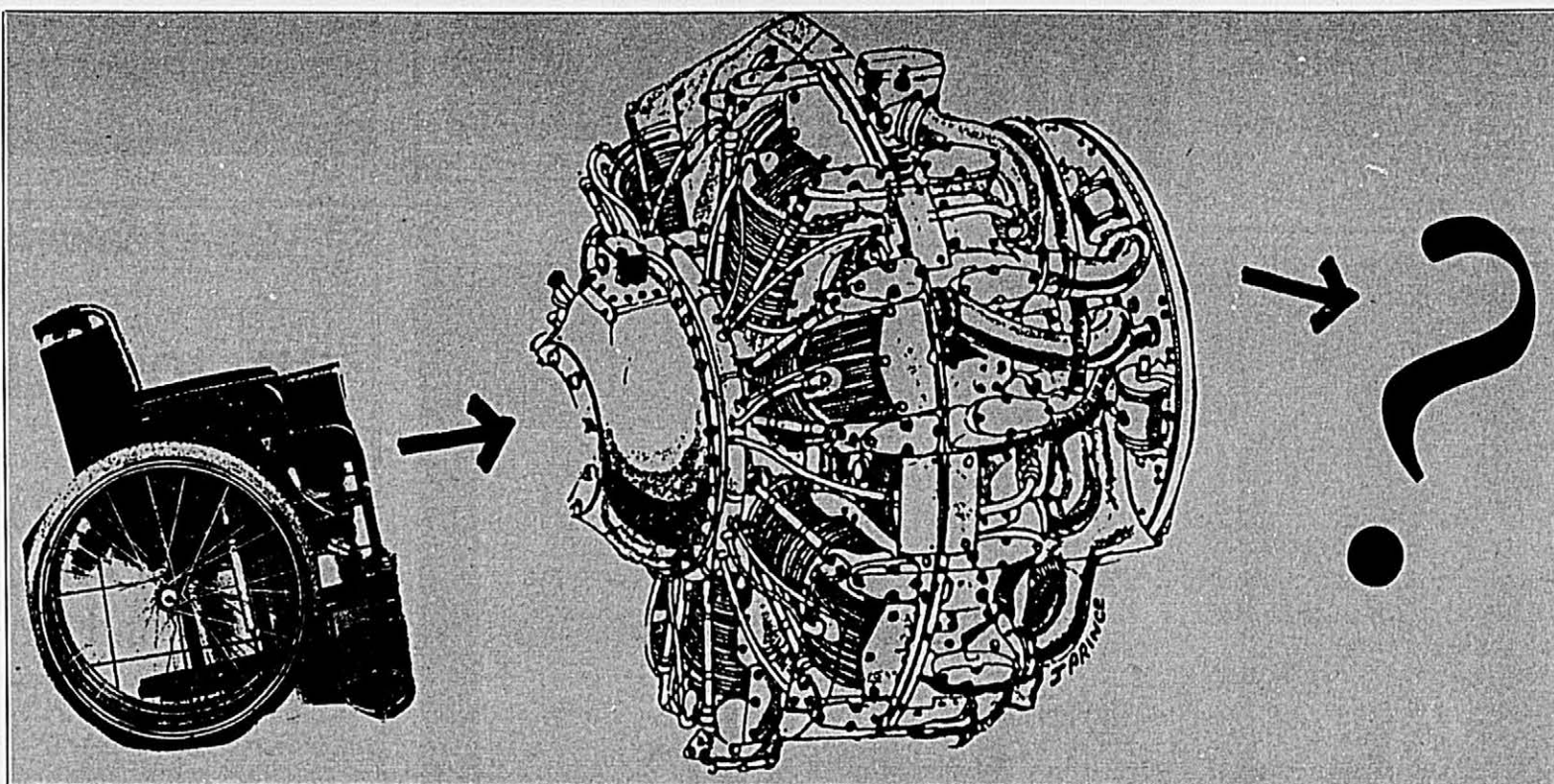
"It was like a victory," says Cimachowski. "She told me it was something very special to be on an equal level with other riders."

Cimachowski designed his second product after hiking in Killarney Provincial Park in northern Ontario and wondering why his friend, who was a wheelchair user, could not take part. The same day, Cimachowski drove to Toronto and began working on a hiking chair. A few days later he finished the chair and returned to Killarney with Hazel and a few friends. They hiked the entire trail and had a wonderful time.

The device, itself, looks like a standard four-legged chair, except that it fits in the trunk of a car and comes with detachable handles.

"You can't take a wheelchair to the beach but you can carry the person there," he says. "This is something new. This equipment has not been available and along with it you have to bring a new philosophy—how to spend time together. Because up until now, people haven't been doing that."

Another of Cimachowski's innovative ideas is the stand-up chair. Although expensive wheelchairs with the stand-up option are available, their weight makes them diffi-



cult to manoeuvre, and the cost is prohibitive. Because stand-up exercise is important for a wheelchair user's circulation and joints, Cimachowski has designed a chair which can be used for exercise only, at a fraction of the cost.

Keeping the cost down, and making simple and safe products are the prime motivations behind Cimachowski's work. He's working on a wheelchair which people can be used as a back up, but will be nowhere near as expensive as chairs presently on the market.

"The chairs we have right now are very nice, but the price is too high for people to have more than one wheelchair. This is very important for someone who works," he says. "When your shoes are wet, you put on another pair of shoes. I'd like to give people in wheelchairs the same choice."

Cimachowski thinks of a wheelchair as a mobility device, not a piece of medical equipment. Many wheelchairs cost upward of \$7,000 and are often over-gadgetized, ac-

corating to Cimachowski.

"Very often people only need a simple switch, but instead they have a complicated computer that they don't know how to use properly," he says. "People often have complicated equipment and all you need is a friend to help you."

Cimachowski believes that an over-reliance on specialized equipment can be an isolating factor.

"I'm not working with disabilities — I'm working with abilities. The idea is to bring people back into active life and allow them to be fully integrated with the community-at-large."

— Wheelchair designer Czeslaw Cimachowski

"Sometimes I see the concept of independence as pushing people into a locked apartment," he says.

Cimachowski has been operating his company, Adapt Ability, in Toronto's harbour district for the past year. At present, he has three full-time employees, including a designer and a technician. Cimachowski designs and builds custom

equipment for wheelchair users, as well as running wheelchair maintenance clinics for operators.

"People can change their own flat tires at home without calling a technician," he says. "They can call up friends and work together and afterwards have coffee. That's what I mean by integration."

Cimachowski also hopes to open up a 24-hour repair service for cli-

government funding, and bank loans are out of the question because he has no collateral. As well, since his business is a year old, it doesn't qualify for a "New Ventures" loan.

It seems a shame that someone doing such valuable work is shut out from financing, while corporations spend untold millions on products that contribute little or nothing to the good of society.

Despite the bleak financial situation, Cimachowski knows he is on the cutting edge of a technology that is very new. What he needs, most of all, is feedback from the community.

"I'm not working with disabilities," he says, "I'm working with abilities. The idea is to bring people back into active life and allow them to be fully integrated with the community-at-large. But people have to let me know what they need," says Cimachowski.

"Working together, we can come up with something so they can go for it."

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Proposal to cut African Studies

At a recent Faculty of arts meeting the Department of African Studies proposed to change African Studies from a major to a minor program. The decision has raised concern among a number of students, particularly those in African Studies, as to the motivations behind the cut.

In a memo circulated in the Arts Faculty, one of the key reasons given for the cut was that faculty members were concerned with the quality of some students enrolled in the program.

This comes only two years after the Black Students' Network of McGill launched a campaign to expand the program to include courses on Blacks in the Americas and diasporic studies.

— David Austin

Ontario cabinet approves 20% tuition hike

Ontario's provincial cabinet has approved a 20 per cent tuition hike over the next two years, increasing annual costs from \$2,026 to \$2,450 by 1995. University grants will also be cut 3 per cent, causing the University of Toronto alone to lose \$11 million.

"We're going to have more students who can't afford to go to school next years," said Rick Martin, spokesperson for the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance.

U of T president Rob Prichard responded, "I urge the university community to make phone calls and to urge the government not to follow this course."

The proposal goes before caucus this week.

College promotes literacy education on campuses

A national non-profit literacy organization has recently set up student-run literacy programmes at more than 20 university campuses across Canada. Frontier College, based in Toronto, encourages innovation in each of its schools, and so far hundreds of volunteers have been recruited.

"We started soliciting on campuses but word of mouth spread faster than our recruiting campaign and students started approaching us," said Stephanie Miller, the college's national programme manager.

Interested students are sent to seminars on how to administer the literacy programme at their school, and then they are able to train other students wishing to tutor.

Report blasted for research techniques

University of Manitoba professors recently criticized a government study which calls for more teaching and less research. They commented that the Roblin report fails to understand that good teaching comes with good research, and good research is necessary in order to gain students' confidence.

"We are not simply the disseminators of existing information," said education professor Rod Clifton.

The report also suggests that Manitobans should be the main beneficiaries of research conducted at its universities, raising concern that the report reflects the sentiment that universities are simply service industries designed to cater to certain geographic regions.

— Joya Balfour with files from CUP

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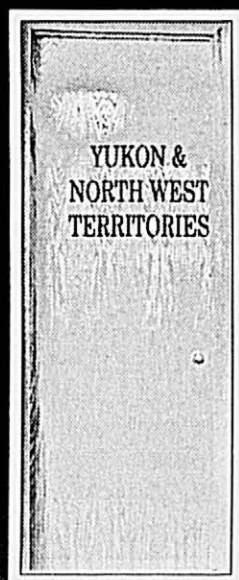
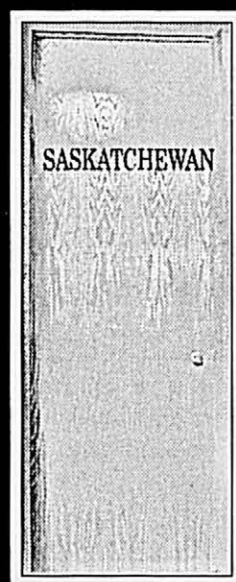
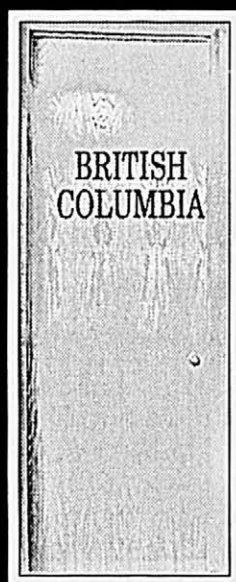
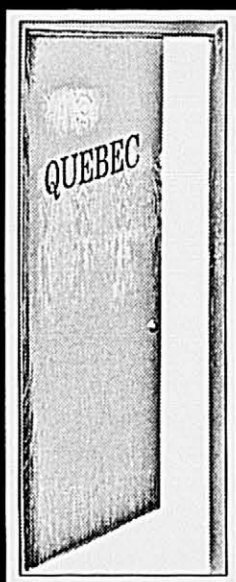
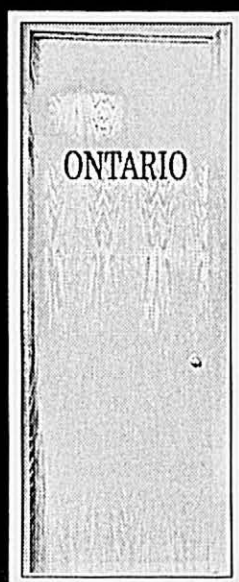
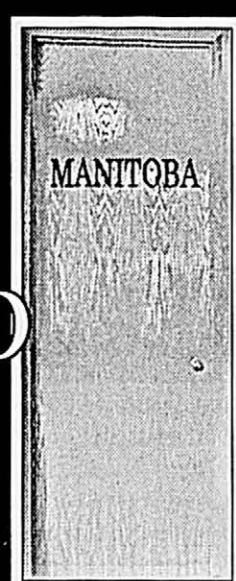
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• The Lesbian and Gay Employees of McGill (LAGEM) meet at 4:30pm at Thomson House. All welcome.

Tuesday

• The Latin American Awareness Group needs executives for next year. Come to a meeting on Tuesday March 22 at 5:00pm in the Shatner Bldg, Rm 310 and get involved!

• Chinese Christian Fellowship meets at 5:30pm. There's a bible study on the power of prayer. Shatner Bldg. Rm 107 All are welcome.

• Concerned About Resources in Engineering (C.A.R.E.) presents Dr Jim Nicell, assistant professor of the Dept. of civil engineering speaking on Chemical and Environmental Engineering. The lecture will be followed by a brief discussion on career opportunities in the environmental field. Bring your own mug for free coffee.

• H.E The Ambassador of Spain to Canada Dr. Jose Luis Pardos will speak on "The Spanish Language and the Ibero-American Cultures in the Context of NAFTA and the Super-Highway of Information." Leacock 232 at 2:30pm.

Wednesday

• The Haitian Student's Association presents Haitian Popular Art, a slide presentation on Haitian art and culture by Viviane Nichols of the International League Against Racism and Anti-Semitism. The event will begin at 5:00pm in Rm B-09 of the Shatner building. Donations will go towards the funding of a school in Haiti.

• McGill Figure Skating Club presents the 15th Annual Ice Show at the McConnell winter stadium at 5:15pm. Everyone is welcome.

Ongoing/Upcoming

• The McGill Student and Video Festival presented by the English Dept. and DESA is accepting any and all VHS and film format submissions on April 7th or 8th. Submissions accepted in the English Department office until March 31. For more information, contact Allison at 284-3630 or Malve at 284-1996

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Minorities in the Media

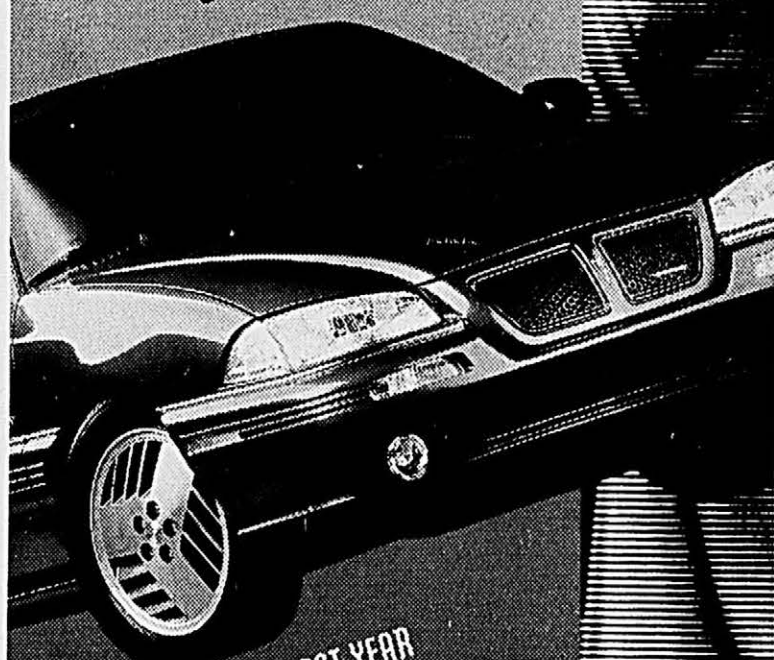
Today there will be a panel discussion called "Minorities and the Media: Perspectives from the Inside." Panelists will include Garry Beitel (McGill lecturer and documentary filmmaker), Ashok Chandwani (columnist for the Gazette), Danny Laferrière (journalist with Québec's French language radio and television), Ross Perigoe (assistant professor of Journalism at Concordia, former CBC and CFCF producer and program manager), and Claire Riley (journalist with Radio-Canada International). The panel will be moderated by Barry Lazar, who is the co-author of the best-selling Guide to Ethnic Montréal.

The discussion, sponsored by the Canadian Ethnic Studies Programme at McGill, in conjunction with the March 21st United Nations Day for the Elimination of Racism and Racial Discrimination. It will begin at 14.30h in Leacock 232.

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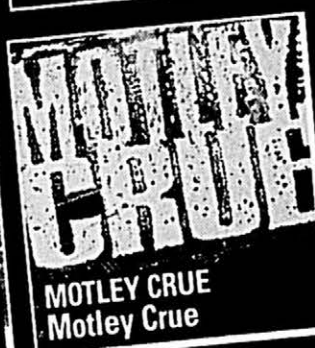
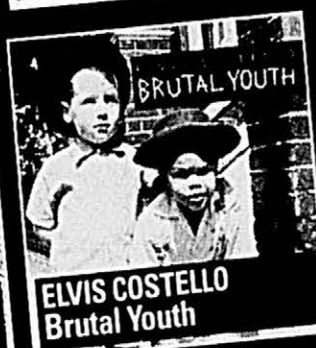
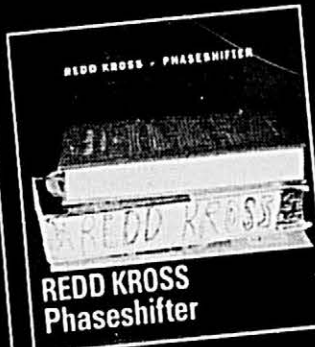
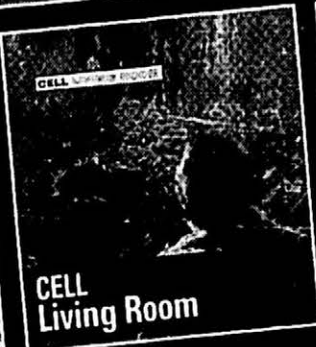
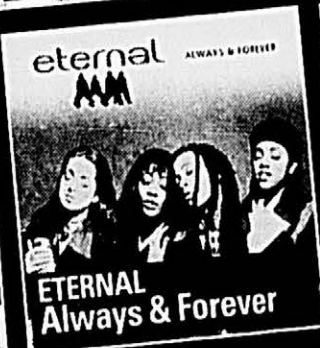
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Year ended August 31, 1993

	1993 (\$)	1992 (\$)
REVENUE		
Students' Fees	115 351	114 032
Grants	2 347	-
Interest	-	270
Waste Management	5 651	1 036
	<u>123 349</u>	<u>115 338</u>
EXPENSES		
Amortization - notes 1 & 3	3 302	2 539
Insurance	669	673
Memberships fees & Subscriptions	105	50
Project Costs - note 4	26 806	21 900
Interest & Bank charges	262	261
Office & General	3 592	9 419
Bookkeeping & Audit fees	2 653	6 043
Discretionary	7 853	1 876
Professional fees	1 000	339
Publicity	1 034	270
Retreats & Meetings	2 196	3 159
Salaries & Benefits	71 372	59 447
Telephone	3 281	4 521
Miscellaneous	168	714
	<u>124 293</u>	<u>111 211</u>
EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER REVENUE	(944)	4 127
SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	22 020	17 893
SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	21 076	22 020
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	11 414	27 969
Due from McGill University	-	2 235
Accounts Receivable	15 673	4 142
Prepaid Expenses	483	531
FIXED ASSETS - notes 1 and 3	6 551	3 815
	<u>34 121</u>	<u>38 692</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable & accrued liabilities	11 987	16 672
Due to McGill University	1 058	-
	<u>13 045</u>	<u>16 672</u>
SURPLUS	21 076	22 020
	<u>34 121</u>	<u>38 692</u>

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